September 3, 2002

Chairman Getman and Commissioners Downey, Knox and Swanson Fair Political Practices Commission 428 J Street, Ste. 620 Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: September 5, 2002 Commission Meeting Agenda Item #15

Dear Chairman Getman and Commissioners Downey, Knox and Swanson:

It has just come to my attention that all State agencies have been asked to submit a plan to cut expenditures by 20% in fiscal year 2003-04. Unfortunately, I am unable to attend your September 5th meeting, therefore I am submitting this letter and ask that you take it into consideration during your deliberations and decision-making process.

The City of Lathrop hosted an outreach seminar on August 14, 2002 given by the FPPC. There was a turnout of over fifty (50) people at this seminar. It was very helpful and informative for those who attended. They did an outstanding job and we are appreciate the dedication of the staff. We also have utilized the FPPC hotline to frequently ask questions. The service provided has been invaluable and would be a great loss to those who utilize it.

I am asking you to please not cut these valuable services if at all possible.

Cordially,

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City Clerk

cc: Larry Barkhouse - FPPC